

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1847

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served May 17, 1978

Application of McMICHAEL SCHOOL)	Case No. AP-78-20
BUS SERVICE, INC., for Temporary)	
Authority to Perform Charter)	
Operations Pursuant to Contract-)	
Washington School for Secretaries)	

By application filed May 11, 1978, McMichael School Bus Service, Inc., seeks temporary authority to transport students and faculty of the Washington School for Secretaries between 4415 Briarwood Court, Annandale, Va., and the facilities of WSS, 2020 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Service would be performed in school buses at the rate of \$70 per round trip. Generally, WSS requires one round trip a day, departing Annandale at 7:45 a.m. and returning from Washington, D. C. at 3:35 p.m.

In support of the application, WSS states that it will commence using McMichael's service immediately upon our approval of this application. The transportation has most recently been performed by Webb Tours, Inc., pursuant to temporary authority granted in Order No. 1800, served January 31, 1978. Webb's access to motor coaches, by which the service was originally rendered, has been curtailed. Now, Webb relies primarily on English double-deck buses which, WSS asserts, are unsuitable due to inherently slow operating speeds. Webb and WSS have jointly sought revocation of said temporary authority and dismissal of Webb's corresponding application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity.

Title II, Article XII, §4(d)(3) of the Compact provides that the Commission may grant temporary authority where there is an immediate and urgent need for service and no existing carrier service is capable of meeting such need. In light of the representations made herein and our action in revoking Webb's temporary authority, ^{1/} we conclude that

^{1/} See Order No. 1846, served concurrently herewith.

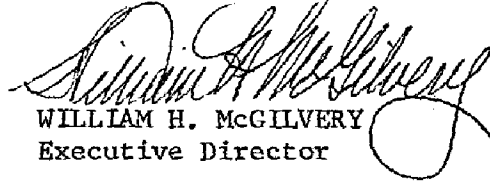
the statutory criteria have been met. 2/

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That McMichael School Bus Service, Inc., is hereby granted temporary authority to transport students and faculty of the Washington School for Secretaries, over irregular routes, in charter operations pursuant to contract with Washington School for Secretaries, between 4415 Briarwood Court, Annandale, Va., and 2020 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

2. That said temporary authority is effective upon the date of service hereof and shall continue in effect until 11:59 p.m., Friday, December 6, 1978, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:


WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY
Executive Director

2/ An appropriate WMATC Tariff including an executed contract between McMichael and WSS has been filed.